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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 8 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Friday, July 21, 2006. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page \$8092.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

#### DAIRY PROGRAMS

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee held a hearing to examine Department of Agriculture dairy programs, focusing on the structural reforms occurring in the dairy industry, the economic outlook for milk and dairy products, and federal milk marketing orders, receiving testimony from Joseph Glauber, Deputy Chief Economist, Department of Agriculture; Charles Beckendorf, Tomball, Texas, on behalf of the National Milk Producers Federation; Jim Green, Kemps, LLC, St. Paul, Minnesota, on behalf of the International Dairy Foods Association; Ken Hall, Terreton, Idaho, on behalf of the Idaho Dairymen's Association; and Leon Berthiaume, St. Albans Cooperative Creamery, Inc., St. Albans, Vermont.

Hearing recessed subject to the call.

#### **BUSINESS MEETING**

Committee on Appropriations: Committee ordered favorably reported the following bills:

H.R. 5631, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2007, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

An original bill (S. 3708) making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2007;

H.R. 5385, making appropriations for the military quality of life functions of the Department of Defense, military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2007, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

H.R. 5576, making appropriations for the Departments of Transportation, Treasury, and Housing and Urban Development, the Judiciary, District of Columbia, and independent agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2007, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

#### OVERHEAD IMAGERY SYSTEMS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing regarding overhead imagery systems, from Kenneth Johnson and Andrew Johnson, each a Professional Staff Member, U.S. Senate Select Committee on Intelligence; Stephen A. Cambone, Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence; John Gass, National Air and Space Intelligence Center, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio; and Mary Margaret Graham, Deputy Director of National Intelligence for Collection.

#### **NOMINATIONS**

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Charles E. McQueary, of North Carolina, to be Director of Operational Test and Evaluation, Department of Defense, Sue C. Payton, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Acquisition, and 823 nominations in the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps.

#### **NOMINATIONS**

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of John Ray Correll, of Indiana, to be Director of the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, and Mark Myers, of Alaska, to be Director of the United States Geological Survey, who was introduced by Senators Stevens and Murkowski, both of the Department of the Interior, and Drue Pearce, of Alaska, to be Federal Coordinator for Alaska Natural Gas Transportation Projects, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, who was introduced by Senators Stevens and Murkowski, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

#### NORTH KOREA

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine U.S. policy options regarding North Korea, including the U.S. response to the July missile launches and the ongoing dialogue with China, after receiving testimony from Christopher R. Hill, Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs; and Arnold Kanter, The Scowcroft Group, and Morton Abramowitz, The Century Foundation, both of Washington, D.C.

#### **IRAN**

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, and International Security met in closed session to receive a briefing regarding Iran from officials of the Department of State.

#### **IRAN**

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, and International Security concluded a hearing to examine Iran's nuclear impasse, focusing on the status of Iran's nuclear weapons capabilities, European negotiations and the U.N. Security Council, and the feasibility of further negotiations, democracy promotion, sanctions, and/or military operations, after receiving testimony from Amir Abbas Fakhravar, Independent Student Movement, Ilan Berman, American Foreign Policy Council, Michael A. Ledeen, American Enterprise Institute, Ray Takeyh, Council on Foreign Relations, all of Washington, D.C.; and Jim Walsh, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge.

#### VA DATA PRIVACY BREACH

Committee on Veteran's Affairs: Committee concluded hearings to examine the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) data privacy breach, focusing on the establishment of a new Office of Cyber and Information Security Training with the VA's Office of Information Technology, after receiving testimony from R.

James Nicholson, Secretary, and George J. Opfer, Inspector General, both of the Department of Veterans Affairs, who were accompanied by several of their associates.

#### **INTELLIGENCE**

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing on certain intelligence matters from officials of the intelligence community.

#### **GENERIC DRUGS**

Special Committee on Aging: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the generic drug maze relating to access to affordable, life-saving drugs, focusing on the efforts to expedite the approval of generic drug products, after receiving testimony from Gary Buehler, Director, Office of Generic Drugs, Center for Drug Evaluation and Research, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; Jon Leibowitz, Commissioner, Federal Trade Commission; Heather Bresch, Mylan Laboratories, Canonsburg, Pennsylvania; and Mark Merritt, Pharmaceutical Care Management Association, Washington, D.C.

# House of Representatives

### Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 14 public bills, H.R. 5847–5861; and 12 resolutions, H.J. Res. 92–93; H. Con. Res. 452; and H. Res. 930–938 were introduced.

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#### **Additional Cosponsors:**

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows: H.R. 4165, to clarify the boundaries of Coastal Barrier Resources System Clam Pass Unit FL–64P (H. Rept. 109–581);

H.R. 5057, to authorize the Marion Park Project and Committee of the Palmetto Conservation Foundation to establish a commemorative work on Federal land in the District of Columbia, and its environs to honor Brigadier General Francis Marion, with amendments (H. Rept. 109–582);

H.R. 3817, to withdraw the Valle Vidal Unit of the Carson National Forest in New Mexico from location, entry, and patent under the mining laws (H. Rept. 109–583);

H.R. 2134, to establish the Commission to Study the Potential Creation of a National Museum of the American Latino Community to develop a plan of action for the establishment and maintenance of a National Museum of the American Latino Community in Washington, DC (H. Rept. 109–584, Pt. 1);

H.R. 3049, to amend section 42 of title 18, United States Code, popularly known as the Lacey Act, to add certain species of carp to the list of injurious species that are prohibited from being imported or shipped (H. Rept. 109–585);

H.R. 5411, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to establish a demonstration program to facilitate landscape restoration programs within certain units of the National Park System established by law to preserve and interpret resources associated with American history, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 109–586);

H.R. 4947, to expand the boundaries of the Cahaba River National Wildlife Refuge, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 109–587);

H.R. 4301, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain parcels of land acquired for the Blunt Reservoir and Pierre Canal features of the initial stage of the Oahe Unit, James Division, South Dakota, to the Commission of Schools and Public